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[57] **ABSTRACT**

An oral nicotine dispenser comprising nicotine or a nicotine salt and a water-insoluble material capable of sorbing nicotine. The dispenser is able to slowly release the sorbed nicotine or nicotine salt in an oral environment. The water insoluble material may consist essentially of paper or a polymeric substance able to absorptively contain nicotine.

The water-insoluble material may be a substance such as paper or cellulose acetate. A water-insoluble polymeric substance such as a polyolefin, most preferably polyethylene or polypropylene may be used as the nicotine-holding material.

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